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NEW SERVICE OPPORTUNITY TO REBUILD IOWA GREEN

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DES MOINES- Iowa Green Corps, in conjunction with AmeriCorps and the DNR, is looking for six people who want to lead Iowa's rebuilding green efforts for the next twelve months.

Green Iowa AmeriCorps Program kicked off this week with the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service approving AmeriCorps funding and the Iowa Power Fund granting matching dollars. Their contributions will provide 56 AmeriCorps positions for members to help rebuild communities hit by disaster in a sustainable, green way.

Their mission will be to assess energy saving needs in communities and provide energy-saving education and service through community outreach.

One Iowa Green Corps team will be located in Linn and Johnson counties. The other team will serve in Black Hawk, Bremer and Butler counties. These regions were targeted first, because of the still evident impacts of the 2008 disasters.

A team will consist of three 12-month positions, nine six-month positions and 16 three-month positions. Overall the Iowa Green Corps will have a total of 56 members.

For more information and an application form, visit Iowa Green Corps at www.iowadnr.com/volunteer/ameri corps/index.html

AmeriCorps started in 1994 to meet critical needs in U.S. education, environment, public safety and other issues. Since 1994, more than 500,000 members have served in AmeriCorps positions nationwide.

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